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HONGKONG, 9th MARCH, 1904

The question of the freedom of the Press must ever be one of great interest in this age of newspaper-reading, and this remark applies equally to the Far East and the rest of the world. The English and other European papers have long enjoyed a full measure of liberty all over the East. In British Colonies there is all the privilege enjoyed in other parts of the British Empire. In Manila the freedom allowed in the United States is accorded. In French Indo-China the Press can be as outspoken as in France. In Japan the English papers have been permitted to comment on events with little restriction, and if there is grumbling now at greater strictness on the part of the Japanese Government with regard to the publication of war news we hardly think that the complainants do right in expecting exactly the same license in Japan during the hour of her greatest trial as in a long-established Western state. In China, of course, outside the settlements, the question does not exist; a free Press is not a feature of Chinese civilisation as yet. There remain the treaty ports in China. Hitherto full liberty has been the rule, and papers expressing all kinds of opinions have done so without fear, provided they have not outraged feelings of decency and right conduct. But a case has now arisen which promises to become famous in the history of treaty port journalism. On the 2nd instant we published a telegram from our Tientsin correspondent, stating that in consequence of his denunciation of Russian cruelties, Mr. JOHN COWEN, a journalist well known in the Far East, as well as at home, and now Editor of the *China Times* of Peking and Tientsin, had been summoned before the military authorities at Tientsin and ordered

to give security for his behaviour; and that, on his refusal and his insistence on the freedom of the Press, he was threatened with deportation. We publish to-day another telegram from the same correspondent, in which we are told that the case is monopolising interest in Tientsin. It appears that Mr. Cowen has not yet been deported; at least the fact has not yet been stated as such, and the *China Times* is protesting against the sentence. This, our contemporary urges, was given without any trial, without evidence, and without Mr. COWEN being allowed to make a defence. Mr. COWEN's stand for the freedom of the Press has evoked the sympathy of war correspondents in Manchuria, who have telegraphed their congratulations to him.

We are in a difficult position here for forming an opinion on the case, since, owing to the fact that all communication, not of a telegraphic nature, with Tientsin has been much delayed by the usual effects of winter in North China, we have not received any of the Tientsin papers of a recent date, and so cannot judge as to the permissibility or otherwise of the language employed by our colleague on the *China Times*. Mr. COWEN is a journalist of long experience, and it is difficult to imagine that he can have indulged in statements of such a kind as to warrant the extraordinary step of the joint military authorities at Tientsin. For the proceedings must indeed be called extraordinary. In the first place, that it was the military authorities who acted is remarkable, seeing that Tientsin has Municipal Councils and is not under martial law. In the second, the absence of any trial or facilities for defence is abhorrent to all sentiments of justice. We cannot understand what either General VENTRIS, commanding the British troops in North China, or the Municipal Council concerned are doing. However, as we are without any data about the case except our own telegrams, we can only suspend judgment until we get further particulars and have an opportunity of seeing the articles complained of. At present it looks as if a most arbitrary line of conduct has been adopted by the military authorities in Tientsin.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the hospitals:—Wong I Kwa \$20.

Sir Thomas Sutherland has accepted the Chairmanship of the Incorporated Thames Nautical Training College, his Majesty's ship *Worcester*, in succession to the late Sir Edwyn Sandys Dawes.

Ex-Second-Lieutenant Paul E. MacLennan, 13th Cavalry, U.S.A., has been convicted, in Manila, of embezzlement of \$723.74 gold, and sentenced to be cashiered, and to undergo one year's imprisonment at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

The only cases of communicable disease reported in the Colony last month were 3 of enteric fever (2 European, one of which was imported, and 1 Chinese) and 2 of small-pox (Chinese). The small-pox cases were both fatal.

Mr. Robert Balfour, of the firm of Balfour, Williamson, and Co., of London and Liverpool, and Sir Thomas Jackson, Bart., of the London Committee of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, have joined the Board of the United Discount Company of London.

Messrs. McAllister and Co. have filed an appeal in the Supreme Court at Singapore, against the injunction obtained by Mr. Clifford Wilkinson, restraining them from using the word "Tasman," as descriptive of their mineral waters, an account of which case appeared in these columns some time ago.

"Japs out-Hobsoned Hobson and escaped; roved through hell of shot," is the heavy type heading in a Manila paper to an account of the sinking of the four stone-laden hulks outside Port Arthur. The same paper prints a "telegram" dated "Tokyo, February 29th," stating that the Japanese Government has decided to return the new cruisers *Nishin* and *Kusuga*, as they arrived after war had broken out. The same paper, under the headline "Interesting if true," states that the Russian and French Ministers have been recalled from London, as "Great Britain intends to participate in the war!"

Russian arrogance at Newchwang has been well advertised during the past year or two. The last straw is surely that the Russian Post Office does not now recognise the place under the name of Newchwang. For years we have been sending a newspaper to the principal British firm of the port. Recently a few of the copies have been returned through the Dead Letter Office. On one received yesterday we note two query marks in blue pencil opposite the printed word "Newchwang," which the Post Office clerk has underlined in blue pencil with three lines, and the wrapper has been stamped at the Russian Post Office with a Russian word and its French equivalent *inconnu*! Has it come to pass that we must now give the Russian name of the port—what ever that may be? It may be added that the printed newspaper wrapper bears in addition to the address in English the Chinese characters for Newchwang.

The marriage of Colonel "Fishoda" Marchand with Mrs. Heriot, the announcement of which has aroused much popular interest in Paris, will take place early in May in the picturesque commune of Calbe-Redoubert, in the south of France.

The second engineer of the Hamburg Amerika Linie s.s. *Stolberg*, Herr Dechler, died from an abscess on the brain at Government Civil Hospital on Monday morning, and was buried at Happy Valley Cemetery last evening. A large number of wreaths were brought to the grave.

We call our readers' attention to the programme of Madame Candotti's concert at the City Hall to-night, published on another page. As will be seen, a very fine selection of musical items has been made, and all lovers of music in Hongkong ought to give the concert warm support.

Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour, recently so notable a figure out here, and now Commander-in-Chief at Devonport, had a very unpleasant experience on the 2nd ult. In company with his flag-lieutenant, he was going up the Hamoaze, Plymouth, in his launch, when, near the torpedo school-ship *Defiance*, the top of the condenser-tank was blown off. The launch was enveloped in steam and rendered powerless, but no one was injured.

In the House of Commons on the 3rd ult., in reply to Mr. Gibson Bowles, Mr. Brodrick stated:—No portion of revenues of India has been applied during the past or present year to the expenses of military operations beyond the external frontiers of His Majesty's Indian possessions. The numbers of the escort with the political mission to Tibet and of the troops required to keep open communications is about 3,000 men.

The Italian Government intends to hold in 1905 at Milan an international exhibition devoted more especially to communications, insurance, saving, and industry, and has asked the Japanese Government to participate. But the Japanese Government, says the *Japan Herald*, having its hands full with the St. Louis Exhibition and the war, has declined the invitation, though it will afford every facility to those Japanese who wish to send exhibits there.

Mr. Joseph Walton, M.P., gave notice of the following amendment to the Address:—"And we humbly represent to your Majesty that it is essential for the safeguarding and promotion of the British Empire, that adequate steps should be taken to resolutely maintain and extend our Commercial Treaty Rights, and that the Consular Service should be reorganised and strengthened on lines calculated to make it more effective for the promotion of the trade of the British Empire."

The Editor of the *China Times* at Tientsin, whose deportation is impending for publishing certain articles on alleged Russian cruelties, is the brother of Mr. T. Cowen, formerly of Hongkong, with whom his identity has been confused in telegrams on the subject appearing in some of our contemporaries. Mr. John Cowen, until about three years ago, held a position on the *London Times*, and came out to China during the Boxer troubles. He decided to remain and to start the paper which has recently given such dire offence to the Russian community at Tientsin and Peking. The paper is now owned by a limited liability company, Mr. Cowen being Editor and general manager. Mr. T. Cowen is with the Japanese army as the correspondent of the *London Daily Chronicle*.

FOOTBALL.

H.K.F.C. V. GUN ROOM OFFICER OF FLEET.

The above, played at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, ended in a win for the Naval team. The latter kicked off, and a very interesting first half ensued, nothing being scored by either side. In the second half Orke eventually got away, passed to Jordan, who in turn passed to Black, who scored a try. It was not converted. The Navy looked like equalising, when Dixon secured a free kick, and play was diverted to mid-field. The Navy at last scored a try, honours falling to Farnell. The shot was straight, but had not force enough. The Navy had the best of it to the end of the game, Boyle scoring a second which was not converted. That was just before the whistle blew. The game ended—Navy, 2 tries Club, 1.

NAVAL NOTES.

H. M. river gun-boat *Sandpiper* arrived from the West River yesterday. The U.S. river gun-boat *Catalpa* is still in port. The German cruiser *Furst Bismarck*, Capt. Proke, arrived from Tientsin yesterday morning, having left that port on the 2nd inst. H.M.S. *Talbot* arrived from Chemulpo yesterday morning, and H.M.S. *Ocean* from Mira Bay.

YORKSHIRE DINNER IN HONGKONG.

On Monday night in the Hongkong Hotel a Yorkshire dinner was held. Mr. W. Danby being in the chair. Sixteen Yorkshiremen were present, out of the 20 odd known to be residing in this neighbourhood. Speeches and songs combined to make the evening pass very pleasantly.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE WAR.

JAPANESE AGAIN ACTIVE.

LONDON, 8th Mar., 10.55 a.m.

The Japanese squadron resumed its re-shelling of Vladivostok on Monday. It is reported that they drew off without suffering any damage. The effect of the bombardment on the Russian port is not known.

[It will be seen from Renter's telegram that the port underwent a similar experience on the previous day (Sunday), when operations were conducted at a long range without any apparent damage.—Ed. D.P.]

DEPORTATION CASE AT TIENTSIN.

Tientsin, 8th Mar., 10.50 a.m.

The case of the deportation of Mr. John Cowen, Editor of the *China Times*, monopolises interest in this port. The *China Times* states that the sentence was passed without Mr. Cowen being given a trial, with no evidence adduced, and no defence allowed.

The war correspondents in Manchuria have telegraphed their congratulations to Mr. Cowen for the stand he has made, on behalf of the freedom of the Press.

THE FIFTH TEST MATCH.

AUSTRALIA VICTORIOUS.

LONDON, 8th Mar., 10.55 a.m.

Australia has won the last of the Test Matches by a margin of 218 runs. The scores were:—Australia, 247 and 133; England, 61 and 101.

[This result leaves England with three victories to her credit as against Australia's two.—Ed. D.P.]

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE WAR.—VLADIVOSTOK BOMBARDED.

LONDON, 8th March.

A S. Petersburg telegram from Vladivostok says that a bombardment occurred at 1.35 p.m. on the 8th instant. Five Japanese battleships and two cruisers were firing all their guns at a range of five miles. No damage was done, most of the 200 lyddite shells fired failing to explode. The Russian batteries made no reply, awaiting the nearer approach of the enemy, who later on retired. The Japanese ships were covered with ice.

Considerable numbers of men are volunteering at Vladivostok, and one man is selected from every two. A farm-corps of irregulars is forming.

BOXING.

A boxing entertainment took place at the City Hall last night, the ring as usual being fixed up on the stage of the Theatre. The principal attraction was the match for \$1,000 a-side and a purse between C. C. St. Clair, middle-weight champion of Brooklyn, U.S.A., and D. Morgan, of H.M.S. *Vengeance*, heavy-weight champion of the China Station. A third attempt was also made to decide the bantam-weight championship of this Station between two men who have drawn twice already. A very good audience filled the Theatre, and a commencement was made at 8 p.m. Owing to the late hour at which the affair finished we can only give details of the two earlier bouts.

1. Clark (*Glory*) v. Griffin (*Glory*). 10 rounds for \$50.—Clark won, after a not very exhilarating contest, in the 10th round.

2. Lacey (*Vengeance*) v. Layton (*Albion*).—Lacey went away with a rash, but Layton, who showed much improved form, stopped him easily. Lacey had two falls in Round 1, owing to his shoes, which he afterwards discarded. At the end of Round 6, Layton was the fresher, but his blows had no effect on Lacey, who began to do better. After the 10th Lacey's blows on the left ribs began to tell, and he looked a winner in the 15th and 16th. Layton pulled himself together, however, and had none the worse of the last two bouts, though obviously tired. One judge gave a draw, the other a win to Layton; but the referee refused to separate the men, who thus fought a third draw. A very fair decision.

WAR NOTES.

H.M.S. "TALBOT" FROM CHEMULPO.

Yesterday morning H.M.S. *Talbot* arrived from Chemulpo, which she left on the 4th inst. As she was present during the fighting between the Japanese fleet and the *Varyag* and *Koreet*, doubtless all on board have some very interesting tales to tell. Unfortunately, however, the naval authorities think it better that too much should not be said on the subject at present and do not encourage the giving of details to the Press. For this we cannot of course quarrel with them, for they have no doubt their reasons. It can do no harm, however, if we give the bare facts of the Chemulpo affair in order to supplement the previous accounts which have reached us by way of Shanghai.

On the 8th ult. the Japanese fleet arrived off Chemulpo at 4 p.m.; the two Russian warships had been in 14 days or so there. The Russians were ordered to leave by a certain time; they left on the 8th at noon, going full speed to run the gauntlet. Eight Japanese cruisers in all were outside, and they promptly opened fire from a range of about 2,000 yards. (Who fired the first shot seems still unsettled.) The Russians sank their own ships about half a mile from the entrance to Chemulpo Harbour, the two crews taking refuge in their own boats. The *Talbot* picked up some 300 of the refugees, the French cruiser *Pascal* some 180, and the Italian cruiser *Elba* about 200. The Japanese went into Chemulpo, not doing any more that night. The Japanese examined the wrecks next day, and departed. Japanese transports commenced to arrive with troops, which were landed, while two or three torpedo-boats or destroyers kept guard. They probably also kept a few warships outside, but these were not seen after the fleet left. The Japanese are reported to have looked very fit and to be confident of success.

THE "MANDOUR" DIFFICULTY.

The *Shanghai Mercury* of the 4th inst. is officially informed that the Russian war-vessel *Mandour* has been ordered to dismantle as quickly as possible.

The *Universal Gazette* states that Yuan Taotai notified the Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai that he had received instructions from the Warup to order the *Mandour* to be dismantled and her armaments to be kept by the Chinese Government until the Russo-Japanese war is over. Further, her officers should be reduced by half. On the same day the Taotai notified the Russian Consul-General here that nothing could be done for the time being until definite information had been received from the Japanese Consul-General. As yet no reply has come from the Russian Consul, and it is thought that the question of the *Mandour* can [?] cannot be settled in the near future.

THE RUSSIAN PRISONERS.

The Messageries Maritimes s.s. *Australis* left Hongkong yesterday with the refugees picked up by the Italian cruiser *Elba* at Chemulpo. These will be taken to Colombo and thence sent on to Russia with the fugitives who fled to the *Talbot* and have already been sent to Colombo. Japan has consented to their being released on parole, as we have already stated.

Colombo was startled and anything but pleased at the news that the Russian refugees picked up by the *Talbot* at Chemulpo were to be sent to Ceylon for custody during the Russo-Japanese war. Now, of course, this plan has been altered. It was first decided that they should go to Diyatalawa, the camp previously occupied by the Boer prisoners, when its suitability as a place of confinement for prisoners was amply demonstrated. When the Boers were there, says the *Times of Ceylon*, it was a little town of comfortable huts, with powerful electric arc-lamps to illuminate the country at night, and barbed wire to prevent escapes; while watchful soldiers formed a day and night guard. At present the camp is in a somewhat dismantled state. The huts occupied by the Volunteers at the last camp of exercise have most of them been removed; but there is accommodation for, at least, a thousand men there even now, besides the huts which are in the possession of the detachment of the Royal West Kent Regiment.

The following was tabled at the Secretariat, Colombo, on the 23rd ult.:

With reference to the status of our expected Russian guests, the following extract from the rules relating to the usages of war, which were practically agreed to at the Conference of Brussels in 1874, are of interest:

"Art 63.—The Neutral State receiving in its territory troops belonging to the belligerent armies will intern them so far as may be possible, away from the theatre of war."

"They may be kept in camps, or even confined in fortresses or in places appropriated to this purpose."

"It (i.e., the neutral State) will decide whether the officers may be released on giving their parole not to quit the Neutral territory without authority."

"Art 64.—In default of a special agreement, the Neutral State which receives the belligerent will furnish the interned troops with provision, clothing, and such aid as humanity requires."

"The expenses incurred by the internment will be made good at the conclusion of peace."

NORTHERN ITEMS.

A few extra details come from various sources in the North. A message dated the 3rd inst. from Chin-chow or King-chow, at the northern end of the Gulf of Liao-tung, states that the Japanese have succeeded in blowing up a portion of the Russian railway there, over 200 feet in extent, and destroying one locomotive.

The *Sinwengpo* is informed by a despatch from the same place that a large body of Russian troops was dispersed at Erhshaitze by Chinese brigands on the 18th ult and the Russian authorities vented their wrath on the

natives in the vicinity of the disaster by setting fire to and destroying two villages, when over three hundred inhabitants were either killed or injured.

The Hongtien Tarter General, Tsengohi, being overcome by the situation and becoming nervous, is now critically ill. All public local affairs have been turned over to the Prefect, while Li Taotai is managing diplomatic affairs.

The *Shanghai Mercury* publishes the following from Tsengchow-fu, Shantung, almost due south of Port Arthur:—Yesterday (25th Feb.), twenty-eight Japanese sailors or marines landed here from a Chinese junk; and reported that their vessel had sunk at Hwang Ch'ing Tao, between here and Port Arthur. The story is that they seriously disabled or sunk a Russian vessel, and were so disabled themselves that their vessel sunk also. Chinese junks put out to rescue them and succeeded in saving about two hundred. The battle is said to have been fought on the 22nd, well over towards Port Arthur. The rescued men stayed one day on Hwang Ch'ing Tao, then came on to Chang Shan Tao for one day, and then came here. Some are said to have gone to a little harbour west of here, and some are still on the islands. The county magistrate provided animals for them to ride, gave them 400 cash apiece for food money, and started them on to Chafoo. It is reported that none of the Russians were saved.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 7th March

OPENING OF KONGMOON.

In accordance with the terms of the "Mackay" treaty, the port of Kongmoon is to-day formally opened. Mr. Fox, Acting Consul at Wuchow, presided there yesterday on H.M.S. *Moorhen*, while Mr. Mase (late Deputy Commissioner of Customs at Canton) has been in the port for some days making arrangements for the opening of Customs work. He will remain as Acting Commissioner.

The opening of Kongmoon will give a stimulus to the West River and Delta trade, which has indeed of late been promising to increase rapidly. The Steamboat Company has three vessels running to Wuchow, one of which, the *Tok King*, will, I understand, run to Kongmoon, while two French boats will shortly be on the West River run.

THE KWANGSI TROUBLES.

From Kwangsi the news comes that the rebellion is now more widespread than ever. The troops can make little headway, and in so mountainous a region this is hardly a matter for surprise, considering the poor quality of the troops. Large numbers of soldiers still continue to go up the river. On Friday last over 1,000 left Samshui in a flotilla towed by fourteen launches. These men had been brought down from the North by two C.M.S.N. Co. steamers, but others come overland from Hunan, and down the North River to Samshui. This overland route has been in use almost as much as the other, so that Kwangsi should according to all rules have been subdued long since.

LOCAL CONDITIONS.

In Canton there is at present nothing to chronicle. The excitement of New Year has subsided, and people have returned to their occupations. The busy season has now set in, and, given a good harvest, this should prove a moderately prosperous year.

TROUBLE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

HONGKONG AND A THREATENED UPRISING.

There seems to be little doubt that the Insular Government expects trouble in the Philippines. A transport with reinforcements arrived at Manila from the United States a few days ago, coming out via Suez. Within the past month or so, within our knowledge, there have been no less than three persons, whom we believe to be United States' detectives, in Hongkong. Apparently they have come over here to keep a watch on Filipino residents, and send reports to the Manila authorities. If Japan is successful in her northern campaign, we are informed that it is certain that the natives of the United States' possession farther south will be more eager than ever for independence. However the war ends, though, there is not much doubt that dissatisfaction must prevail as long as the "Stars and Stripes" float over the islands. Filipinos in Hongkong do not favour the present action of their fellow countrymen now in insurrection in North Luzon, thinking that it would be a better policy to remain quiet at home, and make a political fight in America. They are confident that when the non-imperialistic party got into power, the States may do the right thing by them. Blood is thicker than water, and many Filipinos say they would prefer Asiatic rule to American rule. Of course, though, what they desire most of all is independence. The Japanese, it may be remarked, have an affectionate regard for Filipinos, and Filipinos desire nothing more than to follow in Japan's footsteps. If they had equal chances they are confident that they would do as well as that plucky little nation.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 8th at 11.35 a.m. The barometer has risen in Japan, and the greatest pressure is now found in the north-eastern part of those islands, and has fallen at all other stations including those in Kinsai.

Gradients are moderate on the China coast and slight over the China Sea. Moderate N.E. winds will be met with in the Formosa channel and light variable winds in the China Sea.

Forecast.—Light E. winds; overcast, some drizzling rain.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[VIA CEYLON.]

THE WAR—HOME "BUNDERS."

A Russian communication to the Paris *Figaro* states that Germany is disposed unreservedly to help Russia in a re-grouping of the Powers, with the object of bringing Russia, France, and Germany together. The project is freely discussed at St. Petersburg as a consummation much to be desired.

It is reported from the same quarter that Russia gave England 36 hours to declare her neutrality. The demand was immediately complied with.

It is categorically stated in Paris that the Russian Foreign Minister, Count Muraviev, during the Fashoda incident, visited President Faure and offered Russia's active co-operation if France decided to fight.

THE "YELLOW PERIL."

London, 19th Feb.

The French newspapers are reiterating the dangers of the "Yellow Peril" and the fear of growing disturbances in China. Feeling on the Continent is very strong.

Reports emanating from Russian sources speculate respecting the attitude of France and Germany.

FASHODA AGAIN.

London, 20th Feb.

It is authentically stated in Paris that Russia offered to join in an anti-English war at the time of the Fashoda crisis.

Russian money is flowing into France and is influencing public opinion. It is reported that the French Government is becoming alarmed at the probable consequences.

THE JIBUTI INCIDENT.

London, 21st Feb.

Japan, in a dignified manner, has expressed regret at France's reading of the international law, whereby Jibuti becomes a secondary base for Russia.

RUSSIA'S DEFICIENCY OF TROOPS.

London, 21st Feb.

The St. Petersburg correspondent to *Le Temps* states that it will be two months before Russia will have sufficient troops in the Far East to secure a land victory over Japan.

PRINCE OF WALES'S VISIT TO INDIA.

Calcutta, 20th Feb.

The *Pioneer* bears on good authority from home that the visit of the Prince of Wales to India has been postponed until the cold weather in 1905-06.

SOMALILAND.

Bombay, 22nd Feb.

According to the latest news from Somaliland, General Egerton and Staff have scoured the whole of the Nogal Valley without coming in contact with the Mullah. There were traces that, on his rapid trek to the Sor desert, after the battle at Jidbali, the Mullah lost a great number of sheep and camels and abandoned the old and sick soldiers. Deserters' reports are to the effect that the Mullah is in the unmaped zone of Africa. General Egerton will probably resume the offensive with a column from the north, whilst General Manning holds the Nogal Valley.

CAVALRY ACCOUTREMENTS.

London, 22nd Feb.

Mr. Arnold Forster, replying to other questions, said the Cavalry will retain the sword on active service, but the Artillery will not.

NEWS FROM TIBET.

Calcutta, 23rd Feb.

The latest from the Tibet Mission is that heavy snow is filling the Chumbi Valley. Owing to the reorganisation of the transport, supplies are being pushed through rapidly to Phari.

The Lhasa General has gone to Gantok accompanied by Major Bretherton and Ras and Captain Bignell. Major Ras proceeds to Simla. Heavy snow in the Jelep delayed him a day, but the Pass is not blocked. The passage over Nathula from Gantok is obliterated by snow.

GRUESOME PHOTOGRAPHY.

The author of the anthropometric system—M. Bertillon—has since some time been busily engaged in a new and weird discovery. The result of his recent experiments promises to be highly successful; he has devised nothing more or less than a method of endowing the dead with an instant of borrowed "life" for the purpose of a photograph sufficiently "live" to be helpful. M. Bertillon a few days ago went to the Morgue for the purpose of explaining his method to a few scientists and others interested in his discovery. He injected a little glycerine into the eyes of one or two dead bodies of both sexes, which caused the lids to open; after which he endowed the pupils with something of their natural lustre, completing the illusion by imparting a little carmine to the lips. Up to the present post-mortem identification had to rely on the chances of a photograph of the dead body, which proved useless in the majority of cases, even to relatives. The method of M. Bertillon is much simpler, and admits of no doubts.

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JAPANESE STUDENTS' WAR SONG.

The Japan Mail gives the following translation of a patriotic song sung by students at a Tokyo College in honour of the recent successes—

1. Hark to the wail of the disembodied spirits over Liaoting that was once purchased with their blood! When the wind blows drear at night o'er the yellow sands and white fields, does it bring no sound of strife? The traces of the righteous war have long since vanished, but see! over the mountains of Kan the sky is low'ring. The sun sinks behind the range of Chohaku and what shall be the doom of its ancient dynasty?

2. Hark! At the slogan of the Cosacks, the virtues of sovereignty totter. If the benevolence which ancient Confucian sages have taught in the scriptures written in the books common to us all should perish with the country, then 400 millions people will fall never to rise again. If you pity them arise and slay the cursed foes of humanity.

3. The waters of the Amur once flowed with blood and five thousand lives perished. Yet massacre was not satiated, and at Kishineff too there was a heap of corpses. They call themselves the soldiers of the Tsar—the Slavs—they are all robbers. The history that records their crimes against God and man will never be blotted out.

4. Where now are your words that talked of universal peace? Shall that mouth that swore the oath now feed on Manchuria? In the east, in the Land of Fuso our patriotic people have arisen and will slay Russians as an offering to the God of peace.

5. When peace sheds its bright lustre over the Eastern Sea, then we, taking the staff of the Merchant God shall lay strong and firm the foundations of permanent prosperity. When the sword-blade flashes on the battle-field the fate of our Home Land rests with you. Advance comrades, tried and true! Advance strong sons of a martial land.

NORTHERN NOTES.

The following items are from the P. & T. Times of the 27th ult.—

The new Tartar General of Jehol is said to have been endeavouring to improve the local government there and bring the finances into something like order, also to encourage education. He has been so successful that he has submitted a very satisfactory report to the Throne.

A gentleman just arrived from Moukden says objection was made to his coming down by train to Newchwang, so he had to take cart to Simintun and take the train there, a long and tedious journey. He noticed a number of Russian troops near the Simintun terminus ready for any emergency apparently, but they have not yet seized the line.

The General at Kulun reports Russian officers are busy in Mongolia buying horses, and carry passports from the Tartar General of Fengtien, granting them exemption from all duties, etc., but these passes are dated prior to the outbreak of hostilities. The Russians receive every assistance from the Llama there. A telegram was received by the Waiwpu, from Moukden on the 22nd inst, stating that a Russian officer of high rank, who was wounded badly in the leg, was brought to General Chang's yamen by two Russian soldiers. The officer asked for protection, and stated that he did not wish his presence known there.

Two tugboats broke through the ice from Tongku to Taku yesterday morning without much difficulty, the ice there being thin and rotten. At the bends along the river it is still thick, new ice forming the last few nights and holding the floated-down blocks together. Next week, however, there is a prospect of a complete break-up all the way down, and of steamers being able to reach the Band.

A LILLIPUTIAN SOLDIER.

Claudius Mayenson, a young fellow from Tel. in the Rhone, enjoys the distinction this year of being the "tiny mite" of the French Army. Though old, it is nevertheless a curious fact, that each year, as the time of French conscription comes round, a dwarf appears on the scene. The Lilliputian height of Mayenson is four feet, while he weighs 65 lbs., he looks more like a boy of seven than a young man three times that age. One of his brothers, a youth of four or five, is equally a dwarf; they spring from a family of weavers. So robust is the little mannikin, that a march of twenty miles a day is mere child's play to Claudius Mayenson. What a contrast with the days of the first and third Empires, when French soldiers were veritable giants. The Cent Gardes will never be equalled again—at least in France; everyone of these were over six feet high, and proportionately built.

CANCER IN FISH.

Parisians have become very much alarmed at the discovery of cancer in fish. The question which is now being freely discussed in medical and scientific circles is a highly important one, interesting almost everybody. One physician declares that the eating of fish is a most dangerous practice, and to it must be attributed a great percentage of cancer found in human bodies! This, however, is not a general opinion; for cancer has been discovered in a large number of bullocks; at that rate, thousands of animals suffering from the terrible disease must have been consumed as human food, before the days of careful and scientific investigation. According to some authorities, if the flesh of a bullock, &c., be properly cooked, it matters not whether it be diseased or not. May these alarms lead to the greater care of preparing food for the table. As will be seen, numerous controversies exist respecting cancer; the fish version is strongly disputed; none the less, it is unpleasant to read about such things—even occasionally.

RUSSIA'S LAND COMMUNICATIONS.

Writing on the military situation in the Far East about a week before the outbreak of war, a military correspondent of the *Times* says that, so far as concerns communications by land, the stragulation at Lake Baikal is a serious disadvantage for Russia. "The break in the Trans-Siberian at Lake Baikal," he writes, "is the greatest blot in the Russian military position in the East. A railway is under construction round the southern shores of the lake, but so far it has only reached Tonkhok, whence it is a two hours' journey to the eastern shore. The railway enterprise encounters many difficulties, it requires the piercing of 19 tunnels through the spurs of the lofty mountains which fall abruptly to the shores of the lake, and Russian engineers have very little experience of making tunnels and are not adepts in this branch of railway work. There are, besides, many broad and deep marshes to be spanned, and the plant required for this purpose will require many construction trains to be devoted to its transport if the work is to be carried on concurrently with the supply and reinforcements of the army in the East. We learnt what it meant in the Soudan to continue work on a railway and yet keep an army of only 20,000 men at the front supplied. The Russian numbers are ten times greater, and the line of communications is therefore greater, even though the Trans-Siberian is, on the whole, more solid than the desert railway of 1898. Lake Baikal is 400 miles in length and is usually frozen over for several months in winter, the first serious frost having occurred this year on January 2. The ice generally increases to a thickness of 3 ft., and though a steam ice-breaker, the *Ledokol*, is able to break through ice of moderate thickness, heavy frost is liable to cause steam traffic to be suspended. During the months of February, March, and April the traffic is almost exclusively by sledge; it is at this moment that the circulation on the Russian roads in the East reaches its maximum, and so long as Baikal remains hard frozen it is rather an advantage than the reverse. But the lake is subject to severe storms, and if these occur before the ice has become firmly set it becomes hampered, and the traffic by means of sledges is often delayed. In early spring and in autumn the greatest difficulties arise, since the ice is too weak to bear sledges and yet strong enough to impede navigation except by specially constructed craft. With the melting of the ice the Russians are thrown back upon their steamers, and when this moment arrives the French General Staff calculates that only two trainloads can be despatched each way in 24 hours. The calculation of the Japanese Staff is that six trains a day can be sent east every 24 hours under wholly favourable circumstances, but they believe that four trains a day are more likely to represent the fact. One must differentiate between the Trans-Siberian and the so-called East China railways of Russia. The methods used in the construction of the latter sections were a distinct advance upon those employed in the Siberian line. There was less corruption and fraud, more honesty, and consequently more solidity in construction. For these reasons one must calculate that for all local railway transport, in the triangle Port Arthur-Kharbin-Vladivostok, it should be possible to despatch 12 to 16 trains a day at an average speed of 20 miles an hour, and that so long as these railways remain intact they should play a most important role in enabling Russia to meet a Japanese attack or to transfer Russian forces from one flank of the front of strategic deployment to the other."

The same writer says at the conclusion of his article:—"As regards China, the most important point to bear in mind is that the preponderant influence of the great Viceroy and of the Chinese military authorities is almost wholly on the side of Japan, no matter what temporary successes Russian diplomacy may achieve in Peking. The Russian Press is justified in asserting that the unfriendly neutrality of China will be a greater disadvantage to Russia than Chinese hostility. The gradual accumulation of Chinese forces on the Manchurian frontier is a serious menace when every available Russian soldier is required to confront impending attack from the sea. It is a Japanese interest for China to remain neutral for the present, so that Russia may not be able to clear her flank by an act of vigour against China before the Japanese army is able to intervene effectively upon the mainland. It is not at the present moment, but a little later on, that Chinese intervention, on one side or the other, will become a factor of the utmost importance."

In many ways it looks as if Russia were trying to force the intervention of China of which the *Times* correspondent writes.

SILENT ARTILLERY.

Military authorities look upon the discovery of Georges Boizot, a young soldier, now serving his time at Toul, with the grade of corporal, as being very important indeed. Silent artillery would be quite a novelty. The young French engineer claims that the apparatus which he has so successfully discovered will suppress all smoke, flame, and report in the discharge of cannons in future wars. The Minister of War feels satisfied with the trials recently made at Toul ranges with "noiseless artillery." Beyond stating that the contrivance is mechanical, and not chemical, nothing further has been permitted to transpire about Georges Boizot's invention, from which more good results are anticipated. Germany or England may already be in possession of complete details and experimenting with a similar, if not a better apparatus. Secrets become known in a wonderful way sometimes.

THE MANCHURIAN QUESTION.

"Diplomatics" writes to the *Times* that perhaps the most important document in connection with the above question is the "Note Verbal" of April 25, 1895, by which the Russian Government, supported by France and Germany, called upon Japan to retrocede the Liaoting Peninsula to China. The official text of this Note has not hitherto been published. "Diplomatics" states that he has, however, a translation which runs as follows:—"The Imperial Russian Government, having examined the terms of peace concluded by China by Japan, considers that the contemplated possession of the Liaoting Peninsula by Japan will not only constitute a constant menace to the capital of China, but will also render the independence of Corea illusory, and thus jeopardise the permanent peace of the Far East. Accordingly the Imperial Government, in a spirit of cordial friendship for Japan, hereby counsel the Government of the Emperor of Japan to renounce the definitive possession of the Liaoting Peninsula." The writer continues:—"The importance of this document scarcely needs emphasising. It lays down very clearly the principle involved in any foreign occupation of Manchuria, and thus anticipates the case of Japan in the present negotiations. What was true of the Japanese occupation in 1895 is doubly true of the Russian occupation to-day. Moreover, this menace to China and Corea is of far more serious moment to Japan than over it was to Russia. Another point worth noting is that this statement of the views of the Russian Government in 1895 entirely disposes of the contention on which Russia bases her refusal to-day to give any assistance in regard to the integrity of China to Japan. 'This question,' she says, 'is a question confined to treaty negotiations between herself and China, and consequently Japan has nothing to do with it. In 1895, however, the question was also in pure law confined to treaty negotiations between Japan and China, but it was precisely that limitation of it against which the Russians protested. Japan to-day is more moderate than Russia was in 1895. She does not seek to obtain the revocation or amendment of treaties already in force, although she might well do so in view of the 1895 precedent. All she asks for in effect is that the new treaties in force shall be observed, and that no new treaties in conflict with them shall be negotiated. I note also that you make no reference to the important question of railway rates in Manchuria. Even were Manchuria occupied in accordance with the very moderate proposals of Japan, the right virtually reserved by Russia to impose differential rates on her railway, in conjunction with the railway monopoly assured to her by the Anglo-Russian Agreement of April 28, 1895, would place foreign trade in Manchuria entirely at her mercy. I happen to know that in the 1895 Agreement no equality of treatment on the railway for all foreign Powers, including Russia herself, was stipulated for. Later, however, Count Muraviev forced with the question, and ultimately imposed it to a separate agreement, which has never been concluded. (See Blue Book, China No. 2, 1899, pp. 19, 20, 24, 59). When in the following year the United States obtained its open-door pledge from Russia, the railway rates question was again evaded. (China No. 3, 1900, p. 6). Since then nothing has been done to settle it."

DEGENERATE RECRUITS.

The following letter has been circulated by the Inspector-General of Recruiting at home:—"The question of physical degeneration, which has been brought prominently forward during the last year, has drawn attention to the great difference in the numbers of medical rejections at the various recruiting centres for the army. Inquiry leads to the belief that these discrepancies are mainly attributable to the variety of systems employed. In some cases not even all the men who have survived the preliminary examination by the recruiters, and are then passed on to the medical officer and rejected by him, are entered in the army book; in others the names of all are recorded who enter the recruiting room after a preliminary examination, varying in thoroughness according to the system prevailing in the district. It is obvious that no dates can be reliable which do not allow every rejection, whether by a recruiter or by a medical officer; and although we must take it for granted that our statistics cannot apply to the physique of the population, because great numbers of men, who know themselves to be underweight, or suffering from obvious physical disability, never present themselves at all for enlistment, yet it is our duty, within our knowledge, a fixed and moderate standard is laid down for all branches of the army, and the Recruiting Department, which cannot in any way be held responsible for the physique of the nation, will fail in its duty if, through a too lenient system of measurements, men are accepted who, through physical inability to fulfil the requirements of the service, are likely to fill the hospitals and swell the pension list, or if it fails to register an accurate account of all men who present themselves for enlistment. Quarterly returns are sent to the Recruiting Department, showing the recruits rejected by recruiters and medical officers, together with those not accepted owing to unsatisfactory references."

REMINISCENCE OF MANILA'S SIEGE.

The agitation in connection with the appointment of Father Nozales to the see of Valencia was very strong indeed. In Madrid and in other large towns more than 50 mass meetings were held, to protest against his appointment. In his speech to defend his appointment, Senor Sanchez Toca read a number of official documents relating to Father Nozales's conduct at Manila. On August 8, 1898, the commandant of Manila, General Cervera, convened a meeting of civil officials in order to discover the state of opinion with regard to capitulation. The Archbishop was present, and expressed himself to the following effect:—"The splendid resistance of our valiant army for three months is admirable, but resistance up to the point of heroism is justifiable only if some national advantage can accrue from it. At the present moment there is none from it. Further resistance, merely to satisfy the amour propre of the army, will only make our situation worse. It is widely felt in Madrid that this has been the attitude of Spanish soldiers in the past the word 'heroism' would not exist in Spanish history, and Zaragoza and Gerona would not be altars of Spanish glory. The practical point is whether, by further resistance, some 'national advantage' was not, after all, to be reaped. The Cabinet Council of August 14 issued a note expressing its sorrow and surprise at the unexpected capitulation of Manila. In a word, Manila could hold out, the army was disposed to resistance, and it was to 'national advantage' that it should resist; yet Manila capitulated."

NOTICE.

Owing to the Great Increase in the Furniture Business of Messrs. ACHEE & CO., we are requested by them to Resum Management of the Photographic Business hitherto carried on in their name on our behalf. From this date we will continue the Photographic business at the same place under the name of

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All outstanding credit and debit accounts of the Photographic Business will be collected and settled by us. Inspection is invited to the New Stock now on view.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1903.

SHIPPING NOTICES.

A CABLE SHIP.

The *S.S. Store Nordiska* arrived from a cruise yesterday. She is a telegraph cable-ship.

S.S. "ABRATON APAR."

The *S.S. Abraton Apar* arrived from Calcutta yesterday, having experienced fine weather throughout the voyage.

THE S.S. "SAXONIA."

The *H.A. Saxon* arrived from Hamburg yesterday with some 6,000 tons of general cargo for distribution at the various ports, 2,000 of it being for Hongkong.

COAL.

The *S.S. Foye* arrived from Meiji with 5,500 tons of coal for the M.B.K. yesterday.

THE S.S. "TELEMACHUS."

The *Blue Funnel S.S. Telemachus* arrived from Liverpool yesterday. On the passage up from Singapore she experienced fine weather to the Paracels; thence to port strong N.E. wind and high sea.

RICE.

The *S.S. Bendite* arrived from Rangoon yesterday with 2,700 tons of rice. Her weather report is similar to that of the *Telemachus*. The German *S.S. Progress* arrived with a cargo of Saigon rice for Messrs. Simmsen & Co. yesterday.

WAR RISKS.

In England, before the war, a number of policies were taken out covering the special risk of the British Government detaining steamers flying the British flag from proceeding to their destination should it be either an East Siberian or a Japanese port. This risk was considered to be, in many quarters, greater than that of capture, as the Government might prevent British vessels carrying coals or other munitions of war from delivering their cargoes to a belligerent Power. Underwriters were charging 30s. per cent. to cover this special risk on British vessels for Port Arthur and Japan with coals.

NEW SHIPS.

The Hamburg-America Steamship Company has decided upon the construction of three new ships for its service to the Far East.

TARIFF TO INDIA AND JAPAN.

The Vienna correspondent of a financial paper states that the question as to the ultimate understanding between the Austrian Lloyd and the German East African Line is being discussed with great interest. The officers of the Austrian Lloyd to Austrian sugar exporters have met with a counter proposal from the German East African Company for a still lower tariff to India and Japan. In any case, the sugar industry will draw the greatest advantage from the competition between the two companies. Meanwhile, the Lloyd line is actively preparing for the increase of its fleet, for which purpose fresh funds will naturally be required. There are also negotiations pending with the Government for the conclusion of a new subsidy treaty.

THE NEW FRENCH TREATY WITH SIAM.

The new Franco-Siam treaty signed at Paris a fortnight ago provides that Siam shall renounce her suzerainty over the territory of Luang Prabang on the right bank of Mekong River which includes the contested territory of Kenton and Kutzavadi. The frontier between Cambodia and Siam is to be delimited, and France agrees to evacuate Chantaboon when this is done, in accordance with the treaty provisions. Siam agrees not to erect fortifications in the old reserved zones, and that at Battambang, Sisophon, and Siemreap no other force but the native police will be maintained; and these are to be under the command of French officers. Facilities are to be given to Indo-China for the construction of railways running parallel to the Mekong, and a concession is granted for a railway from Battambang to Cambodia and for other improvements at Battambang. Finally it is agreed that a Frenchman shall be appointed as adviser to the Minister of Justice.



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The first step in the treatment of the chronic form is to remove the scales and crusts and soften the skin by warm baths with Cuticura Soap. The scalp, ears, elbows, hands, ankles and feet will require frequently a thorough soaking in order to penetrate the thickened skin and crusts with which these parts are often covered. Dry carefully, and apply Cuticura Ointment, lightly at first, and where advisable spread it on pieces of soft cloth and bind in place. Take the Eczema pills or liquid, in medium doses. Do not use cold water in bathing, and avoid cold, raw winds.

Cuticura Remedies, liquid and ointment, are sold everywhere. They are sold in London, by Messrs. J. W. Kew, 1st Floor, 37, Connaught Road, and in Hongkong, by Messrs. H. Price & Co., 12, Queen's Road Central.

Send for "How to Cure Eczema."

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Hongkong, 18th February, 1904. [33]

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From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [64]

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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A JUNIOR CLERK.
Apply to—
K. Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [692]

NURSE OR MAID.
A Lady going home in April next via Canada wishes to hear of a Nurse or Maid who would take charge of her two little girls aged 7 and 1 year in return for passage only. Must be good sailor. Apply to—"F." Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [693]

TO LET.
WELL VENTILATED FLOORS at No. 57 and 59 Queen's Road Central, suitable for Office, or residential quarters, with every convenience. Rent very moderate.
Apply at—
POOHOMULL BROS.,
57, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [694]

NOTICE.
THE following Articles FOUND at Government House after the Ball on 3rd and 25th February, are still unclaimed—
1 SMALL FEATHER FAN.
1 PR. LADY'S WHITE KID GLOVES.
2 BLACK VEILS.
1 WHITE VEIL.
1 KNITTED CLOUT.
1 LADY'S HANDBAG INITIALLED M.
1 SMALL JAPANESE FAN.
1 PR. WHITE KID GLOVES.
1 SMALL GOLD BROOCH.
M. R. HURLEY, Capt., A.D.C.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. [695]

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL on SATURDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company, to the 31st December, 1903, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 19th MARCH, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board.
C. MOONEY, Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [696]

SEALED TENDERS in Duplicate will be received at the R.N. Hospital until 10 A.M. on the 18th March, 1904, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Bread, Pure Cow's Milk, Aerated Waters, Ice, and other provisions, and necessaries for the year ending 31st March, 1905.
Sealed Tenders in Duplicate will also be received for Coal (Akaike and Yubari).
Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the R.N. Hospital.
The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.
(Signed) W. B. DREW, Dep. Insp. Genl.
R.N. Hospital.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [697]

MADAME CANDUTTI'S FAREWELL CONCERT.

THE following is the Programme of MADAME CANDUTTI'S CONCERT, which will be given in ST. ANDREW'S HALL, TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY), the 9th inst., at 9 o'clock. Tickets for sale at the City Hall.

PART I.
1. Trio... Violin, Cello and Piano... Mendelssohn
Mrs. A. H. OUGH, Mr. MILLER, Mr. GRIMBLE.
2. Song... O. P. Nobis... Picoletini
Mrs. A. G. GORDON.
3. Piano... II. Scherzo... Chopin
MADAME CANDUTTI.
4. Violin... Rhapsodie Hongroise... Hauser
Mrs. A. H. OUGH.
5. Song... Berceuse de l'op. Jocelyn... Godard
MADAME CANDUTTI.
PART II.
6. Trio... Gade
Mrs. A. H. OUGH, Mr. MILLER, Mr. GRIMBLE.
7. Piano... A. Etude C-dur... Rubinstein
B. Polka bohémienne
MADAME CANDUTTI.
8. Song... La Sorellina... Tosti
Mrs. A. G. GORDON.
9. Violin... A. Berceuse... Mabel Bourne
B. Scherzo... Goossens
Mrs. A. H. OUGH.
10. Piano... Valse de Concert... T. Wieniawski
MADAME CANDUTTI.
The Grand Piano "Steinway" is kindly lent by the Club Germania.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [699]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "ARRATON APCAR" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.
Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 10th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.
Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD., Agents.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. [698]

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FOR
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Mounted on Card ... 30 cents
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On Sale at the Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1904.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 12th MARCH, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, DUNDALL STREET, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, (Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Also
2 FOWLING PIECES.
1 AMERICAN ROLL TOP DESK.
On View from Friday, the 11th March.
TERMS:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. F. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [698]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.
(Marine and Submarine United Companies.)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE

THE Steamship

"ISCHIA,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate obtained from the Godown Company, within seven days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 14th instant, will be subject to rent.

CALLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1904. [694]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENCLEIGH,"

FROM LEITH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 14th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. [690]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SAXONIA,"

Captain Brash & Co., having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 15th inst., or they will not be recognised.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. [691]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"TELEMACUS,"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 10th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M., on the 15th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 18th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. [10-11]

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' ORDINANCES OF HONGKONG 1865

to 1890, and

IN THE MATTER OF THE NEW CHWANG STEAM FERRY TUG AND LIGHTER COMPANY, LIMITED (In Liquidation).

THE creditors of the above named Company are required on or before the 25th day of March, 1904, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their Debts or Claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to J. J. FREDEK BANDINEL of the Port of Newchwang in the Empire of China, the Liquidator of the said Company, and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator are by their Solicitors to come in and prove their said Debts or Claims at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated this 26th day of January, 1904.

J. J. FREDEK BANDINEL, Liquidator.

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ENTERTAINMENT

THEATRE ROYAL CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB

will give Two Performances of THE COMIC OPERA "HIS EXCELLENCY"

Written by W. S. GILBERT.

Music composed by Dr. OSWALD CARR.

on FRIDAY, 11th MARCH, and SATURDAY, 12th MARCH, commencing each evening at 9 P.M. precisely.

Several new features will be introduced, including a Dance by "THE GOVERNOR and NANNY," A COUNTRY DANCE, &c., &c.

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Public Booking Office on and after MONDAY, 7th March, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. each day.

Late Frauds will run a quarter of an hour after the fall of the curtain, 1904.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1904. [695]

WANTED.

A EUROPEAN Youth as an APPRENTICE.

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1904. [594]

WANTED.

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Hongkong, 10th February, 1904. [498]

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THE "UP-TO-DATE SHORTHAND"

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Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [619]

WANTED.

TWO CHINESE MASTERS for a School in Yunnan. A knowledge of English and Mandarin necessary. Applications should be addressed to the EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [682]

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Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [587]

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The latter will include Summer House, Roller, and Lawn Mower.

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904. [613]

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1904. [674]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 9th MARCH, 1904, at 10 A.M., at H. M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDAY NAVAL AND VICTUALING, OBSOLETE AND CONDEMNED STORES, comprising—

BOATS, ENGINES, OLD BRASS, COPPER, IRON, PAPER STUFF, CANVAS, FURNITURE, IMPLEMENTS, &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [649]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from R. T. WRIGHT, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 10th MARCH, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., within his residence No. 10, MACDONNELL ROAD, THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising—

MOROCCO and TAPESTRY COVERED SOFAS and CHAIRS, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, DINER WAGGONS, TEAKWOOD SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, DOUBLE BRASS MOUNTED IRON BEDSTEAD with WIRE and HAIR MATTRESSES, MARBLE TOP WASH STANDS, TEAKWOOD DRESSING TABLE with BEVELLED GLASS, WARDROBES, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, COOKING STOVE and UTENSILS, &c., &c., &c.

Also

A Large Number of PALMS and FLOWERS in Pots.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [650]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LD.

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL THIS DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 9th MARCH, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Director and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th until 10th MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. G. WINTERBURN, General Manager.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [632]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 10th MARCH, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th instant, to the 10th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,

GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1904. [498]

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at 12.15 P.M., TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 10th MARCH, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 10th MARCH, both days inclusive.

R. J. MACGOWAN, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1904. [594]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP CO., LD.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 10th MARCH, to SATURDAY, the 19th MARCH (both days inclusive).

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1904. [678]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

of the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 19th of MARCH, both days inclusive.

J. WHEBLEY, General Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [651]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 24th MARCH, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th to 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [683]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS

of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 24th day of MARCH, 1904, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [679]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND OF \$22.50 per Share for the year ending 31st December, 1902, declared at To-day's Ordinary Annual Meeting, will be payable at the Premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after Monday, the 7th instant, and Hongkong Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Offices, Pedder's Street.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [677]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that, on and after this date, they can obtain Scrip Certificates for Shares of the new issue in exchange for Hongkong and Shanghai Bank receipts on application at the Registered Offices of the Company, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1904. [515]

BANKS

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$1,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$ 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. | J. FOCKE, Esq.

URGEON GENERAL ST.
No. 10, D'AGUILA STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.
Consultation Free.
Cebu, 21st March, 1903.

The rights reserved by the City of Manila
to reject any or all bids and to waive any
defects.

By Direction of the Board,
JOHN M. TUTTLE,
Secretary.

Manila, P. I., January 21st, 1904. [361]

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
 Mar. 6, TROCAS, British str., 2,657, Phillips, Singapore 25th Feb., Bulk Petroleum.
 Mar. 7, ONSAWA, British str., 1,767, J.T. Davies, Java 27th Feb., Sugar.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
 Mar. 7, ROBIN, British gunboat, 85, Vaughan, Siam 31st Feb.
 Mar. 8, A. AFAR, British str., 2,931, E. Fey, Calcutta 20th February, General.—DAVID SASSON & CO.
 Mar. 8, BENLICH, British steamer, 2,692, Thomson, Singapore 2nd March, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
 Mar. 8, BENLICH, British str., 1,481, David Clark, Rangoon 2nd February, Rice.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
 Mar. 8, FOYLE, British str., 2,690, T.A. Page, Moll 1st March, Coal.—M. B. KAISHA.
 Mar. 8, FURST BISMARCK, German flag, 1,000, Friedrich, Tientsin 2nd March.
 Mar. 8, BAICHING, British str., 1,297, A.E. Hodgins, Foo how via Amoy 6th March, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.
 Mar. 8, KWONGSANG, British str., from Canton.
 Mar. 8, OCEAN, British str., ship, from Mitsui.
 Mar. 8, PROGRESS, German steamer, 687, F. Brenner, Singapore 4th March, Rice.—SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
 Mar. 8, SAKONIA, German steamer, 2,264, H. Brenner, Hamburg 2nd March, General.—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
 Mar. 8, STORE NOLDSKE, Danish cable str., 861, E. Smedum, from a cruise.
 Mar. 8, TALHOV, British str., 5,066, Bailey, Changhai 4th March.
 Mar. 8, TAIKAMACHUS, British str., 4,590, G.H. Gledhill, Singapore 2nd March, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

CLEARANCES.

At the HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 8th March.
 Brigovida, German str., for Yokohama.
 Fume, German str., for Chiofo.
 Kungpo, French str., for Saigon.
 Kwangtung, British str., for Swatow.
 Whampoa, British str., for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

8th March.
 ARMAND BEHIO, French str., for Shanghai.
 AUSTRALIAN, French str., for Europe.
 BRAEMAN, British str., for Kobe.
 BURKHOLD, German str., for Swatow.
 CHIVVEN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
 EDWARDS, British str., for Plover.
 LEONGSANG, British str., for Manila.
 MACHW, German str., for Bangkok.
 MICHAEL JESSEN, German str., for Kobe.
 THALES, British str., for Co. Portu.
 TRIUMPH, German str., for Swatow.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

8th March.
 ABERDEEN DOCK.—In liquid at Beechley.
 KOWLOON DOCK.—H.I. G.M.S. Mowee.
 H.M.S. Glory, Ellen Rickmers, Sangkai, Lin Tan, Elze, Solent, Fume, Kungfong, Seaster, Stober.
 COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Salfordia.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship
 "HAICHING,"
 Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 8th inst., at 10 A.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 7th March, 1904. [681]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship
 "BRISGAVIA,"
 Captain Schullke, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 8th March, at Noon.
 For Freight, apply to
 HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
 Hongkong Office.
 Hongkong, 29th February, 1904. [610]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Steamship
 "EASTERN,"
 Captain W. Ellis, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 10th inst., at Noon.
 This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
 This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
 A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.
 N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.
 For Passage, apply to
 GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [623]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Calling at MANILA, Port Darwin and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo, ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)
 THE Steamship
 "EASTERN,"
 Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 10th inst., at Noon.
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 Agents.
 Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [624]

HONGKONG-AMERICA LINE.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship
 "SAXONIA,"
 Captain Brehmer, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
 For Freight, apply to
 HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
 Hongkong Office.
 Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [652]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	COROMANDEL	Brit. str.	G. M. Montford	P. & O. S. N. Co.	12th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	AXA	Brit. str.	G. W. Gordon	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BORNEO	Brit. str.	G. W. Gordon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 17th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LING	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	28th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAON	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	TELMACHUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	20th April.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	REX	Ger. str.	G. Meiners	MELCHERS & CO.	16th inst., at Noon.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	HANDERG	Ger. str.	Luning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	21st inst.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	Luning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	22nd inst.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	ABESSINIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	5th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	10th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	19th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	ARTEMISIA	Ger. str.	Gronmeyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	3rd May.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	MARBURG	Ger. str.	Stern	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	17th May.
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SILOA	Aus. str.	Stable	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	23rd inst.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	20th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	INDOMENUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Early April.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	AFRIDI	Brit. str.	Geo. E. Wallace	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 23rd inst.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	KENNEBEC	Brit. str.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	To-day.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	E. OF JAPAN	Brit. str.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	27th April.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI &c.	ATHENIA	Brit. str.	J. Truebridge	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	16th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & PACOMA VIA JAPAN	VICTORIA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	24th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA N'SAKI, &c.	NINGCHOW	Brit. str.		PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	24th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDRASAMHA	Brit. str.	W. E. Craven	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	To-morrow, Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EASTERN	Brit. str.	Ellis	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th April.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	CHINGTU	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 8th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MALACCA	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	BRISGAVIA	Brit. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-morrow, 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SAXONIA	Brit. str.	Brehmer	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	21st inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	11th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KWANGSANG	Brit. str.	R. F. Summers	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 13th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SILOA	Brit. str.	H. Kraft	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	FRITHJOF	Brit. str.	T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	12th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	FRITHJOF	Brit. str.	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	20th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HAICHING	Brit. str.	Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KANSU	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TRENTON	Brit. str.	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 9th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	EASTERN	Brit. str.	W. Ellis	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	To-morrow, Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KAIFONG	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	11th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	12th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	REDA	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	19th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ISCHIA	Ital. str.	Magazzini	CARLOWITZ & CO.	12th inst., at Noon.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS. THE Steamship

"COROMANDEL,"
 Captain G. M. Montford, R.N.R. carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this office for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 12th MARCH, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; and cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to
 E. A. HEWETT,
 Superintendent.
 Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. [1]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.
 (Florio and Rubattino United Companies.)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LIGURIA, GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all Mediterranean, Adriatic, Levantine and South American Ports up to CALLAO. (Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.)

THE Steamship
 "ISCHIA,"
 Captain Magazzini, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 12th inst., at Noon.

At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
 CARLOWITZ & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [4]

REGULAR
 STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1903.

"AFRIDI" early April.
 For Freight and further information, apply to
 DODWELL & CO., LD.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 29th February, 1904. [1125]

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
 Captain Samuel Bell Smith.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on week days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao week days at about 2 P.M. and Sundays about 2.30 P.M.

FARE—(week day) 1st Class (including cabin and service), \$3. Return Ticket \$5.
 2nd Class \$1. 3rd Class 50 cents.

On Excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class \$1 Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on board or at Macao Hotel \$5. On Sundays \$5 extra will be charged for each Cabin which has accommodation for two or more Passengers.

Wharf at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

The Steamer runs on Excursion Trip Every Sunday, and takes only 3 hours to reach Macao.

MING ON & CO.
 2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street.
 Hongkong 8th September, 1903.

NATAI LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STRAIT NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to
 DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
 General Agents for China and Japan.
 Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [8]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LONDON, OROK, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
BAMBERG	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 21st Mar. Freight.
Capit. Mittelfalt	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	
SAMBIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 22nd Mar. Freight.
Capit. Luning	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	
ABESSINIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 5th April. Freight.
Capit. Filler	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	
BRISGAVIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 10th April. Freight.
Capit. Schullke	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	
SUEVIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 18th April. Freight.
Capit. Bork	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	
ARTEMISIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 3rd May. Freight.
Capit. Gronmeyer	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	
MARBURG	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 17th May. Freight.
Capit. Stern	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	

For Further Particulars, apply to
 HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
 HONGKONG OFFICE,
 QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, No. 1.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA
 REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
 HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
 AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
 SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
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ANFING, VIA SWATOW
 AND AMOY
 TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW
 AND AMOY
 TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW
 AND AMOY

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been reserved for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. T. ARIMA, Manager [175]

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR
 OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO INLAND
 OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE
 STEAMSHIP

"INDRASAMHA" 5,187 Tons. W. E. Craven March 24, 1904.
 "INDRABALLI" 4,599 Tons. R. P. Craven April 24, 1904.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.
 Hongkong, 19th February, 1904. [114]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
 "Empress" Twin Screw Steamships—6,900 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" 6,900 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 9th Mar.
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" 6,900 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" 6,900 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF AFRICA" 6,900 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
 R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" 6,900 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class via St. Lawrence Bay via New York 262.
 Intermediate on Steamers 240.
 1st and 2nd Class Rail 242.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPERESS" STEAMSHIPS passing through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, and make connection with the PACIFIC OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to
 D. F. BROWN, General Agent,
 9, Paddar Street.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [8]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, AND PASSENGERS THROUGH THE INLAND SEA.	MALACCA A. F. Street	About 8th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	COROMANDEL G. M. Montford, R.N.R.	Noon, 12th March	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	SINLA F. R. Summers	About 13th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	BORNEO G. W. Gordon, R.N.R.	About 17th March	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
 Superintendent.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1904.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS, ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALLVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR AND SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LOGGERS.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
BOON	WEDNESDAY 16th March
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 30th March
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY 13th April
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 27th April
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY 11th May
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 25th May
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 8th June
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 22nd June
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY 6th July
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 20th July
ROON	WEDNESDAY 3rd August
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 17th August
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 31st August
GNIESEN	WEDNESDAY 14th September
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 28th September
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 12th October
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 26th October
PRINCESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 9th November
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 23rd November
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 7th December
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 21st December
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 4th January 1905

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No Insurance.

Until further notice the transmission of correspondence via Dally and the Trans-Siberian Railway is discontinued.
The steamer with the English mail of 12th ult. left Singapore on Sunday, the 6th inst. at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 11th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 12th January.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Canton	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 7.30 A.M.
Manila	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 9.00 A.M.
Amoy and Ningpo	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Batavia	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Victoria and Vancouver (B.C.)	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail)	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Extra Postage 10 cents	Hongkong	Wednesday, 10th, 10.00 A.M.
Macao	Hongkong	Thursday, 11th, 1.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Hongkong	Thursday, 11th, 1.00 A.M.
Amoy and Shanghai	Hongkong	Thursday, 11th, 1.00 A.M.
Kongkong, Kanton, and Shanghai	Hongkong	Thursday, 11th, 1.00 A.M.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Hongkong	Thursday, 11th, 1.00 A.M.
Manila	Hongkong	Thursday, 11th, 1.00 A.M.
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1904.

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PAID-UP CAPITAL, £87,500

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Hongkong, 10 a.m.

Ordinary General Meeting of Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd., noon.

TO-MORROW.

Ordinary Meeting of China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., 12.15 p.m.

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Bank Bills, at 4 months sight... 45

Ordnance, at 4 months sight... 45

ON HONGKONG.

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Bank Bills, at 4 months sight... 1/10

Ordnance, at 4 months sight... 1/10

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Bank Bills, on demand... 1/10

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